

GRESSIVES" AND WAS THEREFORE ASKING USG TO USE ITS INFLUENCE WITH FRIENDLY AFRICAN MODERATES TO SUPPORT SPAIN AS WELL, SPECIFICALLY NIGERIA AND KENYA. I ASKED FONMIN WHETHER HE AWARE OF CLEAR USG SUPPORT FOR SPAIN. NODDING, HE SAID THAT WAS PRECISELY WHY PRES BONGO WAS MAKING THIS REQUEST. HE ALSO REFERRED TO GOG PERCEPTION OF HOD PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PRES CARTER AND JUAN CARLOS.

3. I TOLD FONMIN I WOULD CERTAINLY RELAY REQUEST TO DEPARTMENT. ASKED IF GABON WOULD TAKE ACTIVE ROLE IN SUPPORT OF SPAIN AT KHARTOUM GIVEN RECORD OF VOTE AT TRIPOLI OAU MEETING ON SAME SUBJECT, HE REPLIED AFFIRMATIVELY, DISMISSED TRIPOLI VOTE AS OF NO BINDING CONSEQUENCE, AND SAID SENEGAL, IVORY COAST, MOROCCO AND MAURETANIA WOULD ALSO SUPPORT SPANISH AT KHARTOUM.

4. COMMENT: WE NOT SURE WHETHER THIS PRESIDENT BONGO'S IDEA OR OREJA'S. WHATEVER, IT CLEAR THAT OREJA FOUND VERY SYMPATHETIC EAR HERE. TIENKEN

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